

constantly tried to put into practice his belief that "He who serves Canada serves the Empire, and he who serves the Empire serves Canada as well."

12. He worked so hard that he injured his health, and in the autumn of 1894 decided to take a brief holiday in the hope that rest and change might do him good. With one of his daughters he went to Italy; from there he went to England to be sworn in at Windsor Castle as a member of the Imperial Privy Council. The ceremony took place on the appointed day, but he had hardly left Queen Victoria's presence when he was suddenly called into that of "the King of Kings," passing away with scarcely a moment's warning.

13. All honor was paid to the dead statesman alike by the queen and her people. His coffin "was crowned with laurels by his sovereign's own hand," and was "borne across the ocean by one of Britain's proudest warships."

14. At the funeral service in the Cathedral of St. Mary at Halifax representatives of all parties, classes and creeds were present. Together they joined in singing the funeral hymn, beginning

Now the laborer's task is o'er :  
Now the battle day is past ;  
Now upon the farther shore  
Lands the voyager at last.  
Father, in Thy gracious keeping  
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

And together they marched in the long procession that followed Sir John Thompson to his grave in the Holy Cross Cemetery.